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Dutch Delegation visited Aruba Airport



ORANJESTAD – Yesterday, the delegation of Dutch merchants and representatives of the Dutch Government who were on Aruba together with the Dutch Prime Minister Rutte, visited Queen Beatrix International Airport, where Mr. Jurgen Benschoop (Director Operations of AAA N.V.) together with Mr. Fons Essed (Legal Counsel of AAA N.V.) welcomed them for a very in-

formative morning.

The goal of this visit was for the delegation to receive a better look at the airport operations and more information on the future plans with a special attention on the commercial aspect and ongoing projects, especially in the area of sustainable development. Mr. Benschoop gave a presentation to the delegation who was impressed with the functioning

of the airport and all the efforts the airport is doing to reduce its "Carbon Footprint" by implementing more energy efficient projects, such as LED lights, Bio Diesel, modern air conditioning systems, solar energy.

Photo shows the delegation on their arrival at the airport where they were welcomed by Mr. Benschoop and Mr. Essed of Aruba Airport Authority N.V.

17 Penitentiary Guards sworn in by Minister of Justice



Last Friday morning, Minister of Justice, Arthur Dowers led the swearing in ceremony of 17 new prison guards. The job of a prison guard according to

Dowers is not an easy one, "It demands integrity in order to guarantee the safety and security of everyone, not only that of detainees."

The ceremony was attended by different dignitaries as well as family members and friends of the new guards.

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US demands Snowden's return from Russia

WASHINGTON - The United States yesterday appealed once again to Moscow to expel US intelligence leaker Edward Snowden as he formally requested temporary asylum in Russia.

"The Russian government has an opportunity here to work with us," press secretary Jay Carney told reporters at his daily briefing. "This should not be something that causes long-term problems for U.S.-Russian relations."

"Our position on this remains what it was and is quite clear, which is that we believe there is ample legal justification for the return of Mr. Snowden to the United States, where he has been charged with serious felonies," Carney said.

"He is not a human rights activist, he is not a dissident, he's accused of leaking classified information," Carney added. "He's been charged with three felony counts re-

lated to the leaking of classified information, and for those reasons, he should be returned to the United States. Our interest has always been in seeing him expelled from Russia and returned to the United States."

Snowden, a former National Security Agency contractor, has been stranded in a transit zone at Moscow's Sheremetyevo Airport since arriving from Hong Kong June 23 amid a diplomatic storm over his disclosures.

His leaks laid bare extensive US electronic surveillance operations used to scoop phone and Internet data on a massive scale around the world.

Carney said the White House had not been in contact with Moscow yesterday, but said Washington had made clear its position in conversations with Russian officials and those of other countries that might give Snowden asylum.

World to mark Nelson Mandela's 95th birthday



AFP photo above shows a woman signing a portrait of former President Nelson Mandela as hundreds of people queued to sign the huge portrait at the Suncoast Casino in Durban on July 16, 2013 hoping to collect 10,000 signatures on Nelson Mandela Day. Global celebrations and charity events will mark Nelson Mandela's 95th birthday on Thursday, but the critically ill anti-apartheid hero himself may still be confined to his Pretoria hospital bed on life-support. Volunteers will spend 67 minutes on hundreds of community upliftment projects — a minute for every year of his activism.

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The Minister explained that this is the first group of young people to complete the first part of the new training program. The training program was organized by the Police Academy, which is in the process of becoming a full fledged academy where courses and training will be taught. Fred Wijenberg, head of the KIA Management Team indicated that these new guards will complete their training within the next six months after which they will officially become civil servants.

The 17 new guards had to undergo rigorous screening and a very heavy selection process. The Minister expressed how pleased he was that they were able to be sworn in and are ready to continue the final part of their training and begin a career in the justice system.

Aruba has about 300 prisoners at KIA. The situation in our prison is much different and more multi-faceted than 20 years ago. Hence, the training program is much more modern, classes are longer and new guards are better prepared for the reality of the job.

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Aruba swims away with Sub-Champion title overall at CCCAN Synchro championships



Recently the national Synchronized swimming selection participated at the Central American and Caribbean Swimming championship (CCCAN) 2013 games in Costa Rica, which takes place every two years.

Aruba competed in two disciplines, swimming and synchronized swimming. We excelled in both among the participating countries.

Swimming brought home 37 medals, while swimmer Mikel Schreuders won the High Point Trophy in the 13-14 yrs category.

In Synchro the results were as impressive. After four days of intense competition Aruba was crowned Sub Champs, meaning second place among 11 participating countries. A total of 14 medals were

brought back home by Aruban athletes: 2 gold medals, 8 silver and 4 bronze.

Aruba won medals in all but one event they participated in! To top this off Aruba were absolute champions in the 13-15 yrs category. With this tremendous performance the island also classified in duets and team for the Central American and Caribbean Games in November 2014, Veracruz, Mexico.

A tremendous result for the synchro youngsters.

Congratulations to each one of the 18 athletes who competed during the CCCAN championship and trainers Alva Torres, Yamisleidys Romay Arias and Lori Eaton. Thanks also to Judge Esther Croes and member of the technical commission of Syn-

chro of the CCCAN confederation, Stella Leslie and the leader of the delegation Judy Taylor who saw to it that everything ran smoothly.

A special thanks also to the various parents who traveled with the delegation showing their support.

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Aruba's National Library taking an international leadership position in sustainability programs

The Director of Aruba's National Library, (BNA) Astrid Britten along with staff member Ronald Alders, returned recently from the 132nd American Library Association (ALA) annual congress in Chicago, Illinois, taking place from June 27 to July 2. It is the first time in Aruba's his-

tory that a delegation from the island's national library has attended this huge event, not only as representatives of the island, but also as presenters of what is considered a ground-breaking model of community involvement, expanding the role of libraries everywhere.

Ms. Britten and Mr. Alders were accompanied by the Director of the Philipsburg, St. Maarten Jubilee Library, Drs. Monique Alberts, who is also President of the Dutch Caribbean Library Association (DCLA) and Drs. Geert Kooistra, a strategic and spatial planner and process designer at Planosfeer, in Breda, Holland.

The trip to Chicago was the second leg of the journey for Ms. Britten and Mr. Alders in connecting and networking with the international community of librarians. The first stop was the annual conference of Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) in Puerto Rico, of which the BNA is an active member. Ms. Britten served as a past president and is now a member of the executive board.

At this year's ACURIL Congress, BNA was presented with the prestigious Albertina Pérez de Rosa Information Units Alliances and Collaborative Projects in the Caribbean for their innovative "National Library of Aruba goes Green Project" This lent weight to their presentation at ALA as part of the Sustainability Round of the Environment and International Responsibilities Task Force "How the Dutch Caribbean Goes Green with Libraries and Other Supporters."

The panel presentation and subsequent discussion at this year's ALA was sponsored by the International Responsibil-

ities Task Force of ALA's Social Responsibilities Round Table. Fred Stoss, of the University at Buffalo and a past-coordinator of SRRT, served as moderator.

"The concept of sustainability in regards to a small nation's library goes well beyond "green energy" practices," commented BNA Director Britten. "Modern communication technology and the Internet forces libraries to re-examine and re-design their role within the community to continue to be relevant."

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Ronny Alders and Astrid Britten with Albertina Perez de Rosa Award from ACURIL



Ronald Alders at the podium, seated Astrid Britten and Geert Kooistra



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This dilemma was discussed by Drs. Kooistra in opening their seminar at the ALA by providing "a descriptive analysis of the roles librarians must play in dealing with a variety of conditions in a rapidly changing world, and acknowledged the need for libraries to transform themselves, as they show early signs of "obsolescence." He proposed an enlightened and expanded concept of the "neo-library" as a highly specialized platform for integrating information resources sharing as well as a "critical component of a cogent collaboration of a community engagement process"

Dr. Kooistra observed, "The library could be the place to turn to for (local) governments and other stakeholders (e.g. housing corporations and real estate developers) when seeking interaction with the community. They will maintain their function as guardians of cultural capital and knowledge. But beside that, they could become active hubs of information and knowledge exchange, involved in education, awareness and public collaboration programs."

Drs. Alberts described the very tangible green energy process of bringing a ten kilowatt solar panel array to her

Philipsburg library, a step the BNA would very much like to emulate, but is held back due to lack of funding. The St. Maarten installation is among the first steps in the "greening" of their energy consumption. The library's "expertise and experiences facilitating this installation serves as a model for future projects for schools and public buildings" for the Dutch Caribbean.

Aruba's National Library has instead taken an active role in educating the community, particularly the youth, the "next generation," to understand, appreciate and "get on board," with the sustainability plan for Aruba that is the declared policy of the current government. Mr. Alders is Coordinator of the National Library's Green Education Symposium, of which they have at present hosted two such events, and are now planning a third for 2014. This program supports Aruba's annual Green Aruba Conference, and the establishment of the Caribbean Energy, Environment and Sustainability Education program. The Green Education Symposium Aruba II, in 2013, became a reality due to the partnership with "Green's 'Cool'" program, a collaborative effort of ELMAR, Aruba's energy distribution administrator, SETAR N.V., the national telecommunications company, W.E.B. N.V., the water and power plant, Santa Rosa center of animal husbandry and agriculture, and Utilities Aruba N.V., administering over energy projects. The 2014 symposium will focus on "Sustainable Food Supplies" in cooperation with Santa Rosa center.

The concept of libraries being a motivating force in the education of the public and the instigation of green energy policies beyond their premises, "was absolutely startling and eye-opening for those that



The Aruba team with Fred Stoss, Dr. Monique Alberts and Drs. Geert Kooistra

attended our panel discussion," recounts Mr. Alders. "A very few were from the region, but most were from the U.S., and they were very excited by our presentations. It certainly sparked some ideas of how their libraries can become more involved and essential to their communities." Executive Secretary of ACURIL, Dr. Luisa Vigo Cepeda, who attended this panel discussion, made a public pronouncement asking the BNA team to take the lead-agency role for guiding ACURIL's new environmental section.

"Libraries everywhere are looking to established policies and programs that keep them a viable part of the system. We found our symposiums received excellent attention and cooperation from important ministers, including Prime Minister Eman, who was a guest speaker, as well as financial support from the entities who are most involved with green policies. It was the response, however, from the

thousands of students attending, and their teachers, which reinforced our belief in their concern. They made it clear how important they found these symposiums to their understanding of green energy policies. The youth want to know how they will affect them, and how they can improve their future."

The BNA is no stranger to awards from ACURIL. This newest plaque joins two others they have won. The 2004 ACURIL congress recognized the BNA for their annual Children's Book Fair and Storytelling with the award for Distinction in Creativity and Development Award of Programs for Children. In 2007, they came home from the annual congress with the Reading Pleasure and Intellectual Development Award from the ACURIL Publications and Public Relations Committee for Aruba's Elderly Storytelling Project.

Rosalie Klein



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Aruba Wieler Bond looks back on successful week

ORANJESTAD -- Recently, a delegation travelled to the US for the "Las Vegas Nationals" where the BMX selection did their preparation. The delegation consisted of Zyqion Soekander, Zaithyel Soekander and Aschwin Dabian.

The runway was indoors and considered smooth and fast. The race was replete

with an enormous participation of high level athletes. Our athletes, who have been preparing in the Junior Development Program, were able to adapt to the situation and did a fantastic job.

Aruban athletes left a very positive impression, which was also mentioned in the official report at the event.

The Las Vegas race was their last preparation before the World Championship to take place in New Zealand on the 24th and 25th of July.

At the Las Vegas race they contended with top athletes from around the world. In this manner our athletes were able to measure themselves in

order to be better prepared for the World Championship.

In all, there were three days of racing and the results of each day for every racer are as follows:

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- Zaithyel Soekander
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- Aschwin Dabian
 - 16x -11 riders - 1st place

SATURDAY:

- Zyqion Soekander
 - Open 13-14 -24 riders - Semi-finalist
 - 14X - 48 riders - 3rd place
- Zaithyel Soekander
 - Cruiser 15 -12 riders - 2nd place
 - 15x -54 riders - 2nd place
- Aschwin Dabian
 - Open 15-16-20 riders - 1st place
 - 16x -44 riders - Semi-finalist

SUNDAY

- Zyqion Soekander



- Open 13-14 -30 riders - 6th place
- 14x -48 riders - 5th place

- Zaithyel Soekander
 - Cruiser 15-11 riders - 1st place
 - 15x - 53 riders - 3rd place

- Aschwin Dabian
 - Open 15-16-29 riders - 4th place
 - 16x -41 riders - Semi-finalist

The Aruba Wieler Bond is very proud of their ath-

letes, and is very pleased with the great results. The parents and trainers: Pedro Estaba, Joseph Everon and Jobert Reyes have all done outstanding work.

Also, the Subsidy Commission and the Aruba Olympic Committee stand to be thanked for their support.

Now, it is on to the World Championship in New Zealand. They are now in the final preparation for that big event!



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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

UN: 5,000 a month dying in worsening Syria war

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) - Five thousand people a month are dying in the Syria war which has now thrown up the worst refugee crisis since the 1994 Rwandan genocide, UN officials said yesterday.

A host of top officials called on the divided UN Security Council to take stronger action to deal with the fallout from the 26 month old civil war in which the United Nations says up to 100,000 people have died.

"The extremely high rate of killings nowadays -- approximately 5,000 a month -- demonstrates the drastic deterioration of the conflict," UN assistant secretary general for human rights Ivan Simonovic told a council meeting on Syria.

Nearly 1.8 million people are now registered with the United Nations in countries around Syria and an average of 6,000 people a day are now fleeing, UN High Commissioner for Refugees Antonio Guterres added.

"We have not seen a refugee outflow escalate at such a frightening rate since the Rwandan genocide almost 20 years ago," Guterres said.

Panama: North Korean arms shipment a matter for the UN

PANAMA CITY (AFP) - Panama yesterday called for UN investigators to inspect a shipment of suspected weapons parts aboard a North Korean-flagged ship as it tried to enter the Panama Canal last week.

President Ricardo Martinelli tweeted a photo of the suspected weapons cache, which weapons experts have identified as an ageing Soviet-built radar control system for surface-to-air missiles.

Officials said if the shipment is indeed determined to contain missile components, that could violate a UN ban on most weapons being shipped

into or out of North Korea.

Panama's Security Minister Jose Raul Mulino told RPC radio that the affair now is a matter for United Nations investigators.

"The Security Council will have to send experts," he said.

The United States hailed the Panamanian action, and said it stood ready to help if needed.

In the meantime, authorities here said they were continuing to unload thousands of bags of sugar that had concealed the suspected weapons shipment.

The weapons were developed in 1957 and frequently used during the Vietnam War.

Faith leaders vow action in wake of US teen's killing

WASHINGTON (AFP) - African-American faith leaders vowed yesterday to harness anger over the Trayvon Martin case to overturn "stand-your-ground" laws and reassert the case for greater civil rights.

Speaking outside Department of Justice headquarters, Reverend Al Sharpton announced a National Justice for Trayvon Day for Saturday with rallies outside federal buildings and court houses in more than 100 cities nationwide.

"People all over the country will gather to show that we are not having a two- or three-day anger fit," said the civil rights firebrand, flanked by more than a dozen other African-American clergy members.

"This is a social movement for justice."

Sharpton added that "tens of thousands" would converge on Washington for a protest march on August 24, the Saturday before the 50th anniversary of the late Martin Luther King's historic mass march on the US capital.

Saturday's acquittal of gun-toting neighborhood watch volunteer George Zimmerman in the shooting death of unarmed Florida teenager Martin

has stirred anger and unrest across the African-American community.

Sharpton is pressing the Department of Justice to re-open a civil rights investigation into the incident that was suspended when Zimmerman was arrested six weeks after the killing.

US Attorney General Eric Holder, calling Martin's death "tragic and unnecessary," called Monday for a dialogue on the racially-charged issues it raises, but he stopped short of announcing civil proceedings.

Sharpton, founder of the National Action Network, pledged a major campaign against so-called stand-your-ground laws in Florida "and 29 other states" that allow citizens who feel threatened to use lethal force in self-defense.

"The stand-your-ground law was not used directly at this (Zimmerman) trial, but it had everything to do with what happened at this trial," he said, adding that such laws represented "a new threat to civil and human rights."

"Let us be clear. It is now because of these laws where anyone walking, committing no crime, can be followed or approached by another civilian, and they can use deadly force and say it was self-defense," he said.

"That is something that is frightening and cannot be allowed to sustain itself in this country."

Setting out a strategy against stand-your-ground laws -- including a boycott of corporations known to support

such legislation -- will be the topic of a three-day meeting of faith leaders in Miami next week, he said.

Separately, the Hollywood Reporter said Tuesday that pop music legend Stevie Wonder has vowed never to perform in any state or country with a stand-your-ground law on its statute books.

"I decided today that until the stand-your-ground law is abolished in Florida, I will never perform there again," it quoted Wonder as saying Sunday in Quebec City, where he was playing the Canadian city's summer festival.

"As a matter of fact, wherever I find that law exists, I will not perform in that state or in that part of the world."

In Los Angeles, police chief vowed yesterday to clamp down harder on protests over the Trayvon Martin trial, after 14 people were arrested on a second night of violence.

Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) chief Charlie Beck said his officers would not allow a repeat of Monday night, when protestors jumped on cars, damaged shops and attacked bystanders.

"We cannot allow a small group of individuals to not only damage ... and strike fear the community, but also to destroy the message of so many in the community," he said.

Police gave "a lot of leeway" to demonstrators Monday evening to allow them freedom of speech, he said. "Unfortunately we won't be able to do that anymore because of the circumstances of last night."

Mexico braces for any violence after Zetas boss caught

MEXICO CITY (AFP) - Mexican authorities are bracing for possible violence after the arrest of Zetas drug cartel leader Miguel Angel Trevino, a security spokesman said yesterday as prosecutors questioned the kingpin.

The arrest of drug lords are often followed by internal power struggles or attempts by rival gangs to seize on the leadership void to raid enemy territory.

Eduardo Sanchez, the interior ministry spokesman, told AFP that authorities "have information about possible repercussions and we are attentive to be able to react."

Trevino, alias "Z-40," was intercepted by marines before dawn on Monday as he traveled with two associates on a dirt road near the northeastern city of Nuevo Laredo, which borders Texas.

Trevino is accused of organized crime, homicide, drug trafficking, torture and money laundering.



Nontombi Naomi Tutu, daughter of Anglican Bishop and South African social rights activist Desmond Tutu, speaks during a protest outside the United Nations (U.N.) during a U.N. Security Council meeting on July 16, 2013 in New York City. The protest centered around the recent attacks against exiled Iranian dissidents living in Iraq. Members of The People's Mujahideen of Iran (MEK) have been living in Camp Ashraf and Camp Liberty, both in Iraq; the protesters allege that the United Nations Assistance Mission in Iraq has not done enough to protect the exiled dissidents from the recent attacks.

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International News

Panama says suspected missile material found on N. Korea ship



President of the Republic of Panama, Ricardo Martinelli, posted this image on Twitter yesterday.

PANAMA CITY (AFP) - Panama's president said Monday that a North Korean ship captain tried to kill himself after the vessel was stopped en route from Cuba and found to have suspected missile material on board.

Outlining a dramatic sequence of events, President Ricardo Martinelli said the ship was targeted by drug enforcement officials as it approached the Panama Canal and was taken into port, but a search revealed cargo of far greater concern.

The vessel's estimated 35-man crew also rioted when police stepped aboard, according to Martinelli, who said the suspicious goods were found hidden in a consignment of sugar. Initial reports said the ship was boarded last Friday.

The ship, named Chong Chon Gang, is being held as are the crew, who not only resisted the approach from the Panamanian authorities but attempted to sabotage the search, he said.

The boat was headed back to North Korea when it was stopped and taken to Manzanillo, east of the Atlantic opening of the Panama Canal,

which is a major cargo distribution centre.

Cuba is the only one-party Communist regime in the Americas, and a rare ally of also-isolated Pyongyang.

The vessel "aroused suspicion by the violent reaction of the captain and the crew from Friday afternoon", Panama's Security Minister Jose Raul Mulino told the radio station.

Javier Caraballo, an anti-drugs enforcement official, said: "Until now we have not found drugs in the boat, we found military equipment."

Presidential spokesman Luis Eduardo Camacho said later that "at first glance" the cargo appeared to include missiles, but an examination of the ship by specialists may take as long as a week.

North Korea defiantly carried out its third nuclear weapons test in February and then threatened to attack the United States, in language that was shrill even by its standards.

The North has for decades had a programme to develop missiles of all types. Last December it successfully launched a three-stage rocket which placed a satellite in orbit.

Snowden to stay in Moscow airport for now: lawyer

MOSCOW (AFP) - US intelligence leaker Edward Snowden will stay in the transit zone of the Moscow airport where he has been holed up for three weeks while Russian authorities process his asylum request, a lawyer helping him said Tuesday.

Anatoly Kucherena, a Russian lawyer who helped Snowden file an application for asylum in Russia earlier Tuesday, told AFP the fugitive former National Security Agency (NSA) contractor was happy with his treatment at the airport.

He confirmed that the asylum procedure could take up to

three months, although a shorter period is theoretically possible.

Kucherena said he met Snowden at the airport on Tuesday to file the asylum request, with a translator the only other person present.

Speaking outside his office in a courtyard off a prestigious central Moscow street, Kucherena said he helped Snowden put together the asylum application after the stranded fugitive requested his assistance.

A supporter of President Vladimir Putin who supported Putin's election campaign last year, Kucherena also has a

legal practice in Moscow that takes on high-profile cases.

He also sits on the "public council" of the Federal Security Service (FSB), which was created by Putin in 2006.

Kucherena was among a group of rights activists, pro-Kremlin lawmakers and lawyers who met Snowden at the airport on Friday, where the fugitive indicated that he wanted to file for asylum in Russia.

Snowden later called Kucherena "by telephone" asking for his help, the lawyer said. He said he did not know why Snowden singled him out.

Kucherena said Snowden, who has been marooned in the transit zone since arriving from Hong Kong seeking to escape US justice, has "options".

"Right now he wants to stay in Russia. He has options. He has friends and a lot of supporters.... I think everything will be ok," said Kucherena.

"If his request for asylum status is accepted, he has the same rights as you and me. There is no (other) way to resolve this situation."

Dutch hostages plead for lives in Yemen

THE HAGUE (AFP) - A Dutch couple kidnapped in Yemen issued an impassioned plea in an Internet video for their government to act to secure their release, warning they face execution within 10 days.

Apparently unhurt, journalist Judith Spiegel and her partner Boudewijn Berendsen, who disappeared a month ago, appear in the minute-and-a-half clip posted on YouTube and Facebook.

"Family, media, Dutch citizens, do something, we have to get out of here. We're not getting out of here ever, that's if we're not dead in 10 days!" she said as she burst into tears.

Dutch media reported that Spiegel is a journalist based in the Yemeni capital Sanaa for various Dutch media outlets including public broadcaster NOS and financial daily NRC Handelsblad.

Berendsen is employed in the insurance industry.

Both Spiegel and her partner also teach at the Lebanese In-

ternational University in Sanaa, local media reported.

Yemeni police confirmed on June 15 that the couple had disappeared, with media reports saying they were abducted from their home in the southwestern Hadda neighbourhood of Sanaa.



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Sweden finds arsenic in Chinese herbal remedy



STOCKHOLM (AFP) - Sweden's food safety watchdog said on Tuesday it had found "extremely high" levels of arsenic in a Chinese herbal remedy, posing a "very serious health hazard."

The toxic substance was found in a product called Niu-Huang Chieh-tu-pien, which is claimed by online vendors of

traditional Chinese medicine to cure numerous conditions, including toothache, skin infections, anorexia and fever in infants.

The product is also sold under the Indian names Divya Kaishore Guggul and Chandraprabha Vati.

"The recommended dose provides a daily amount of in-

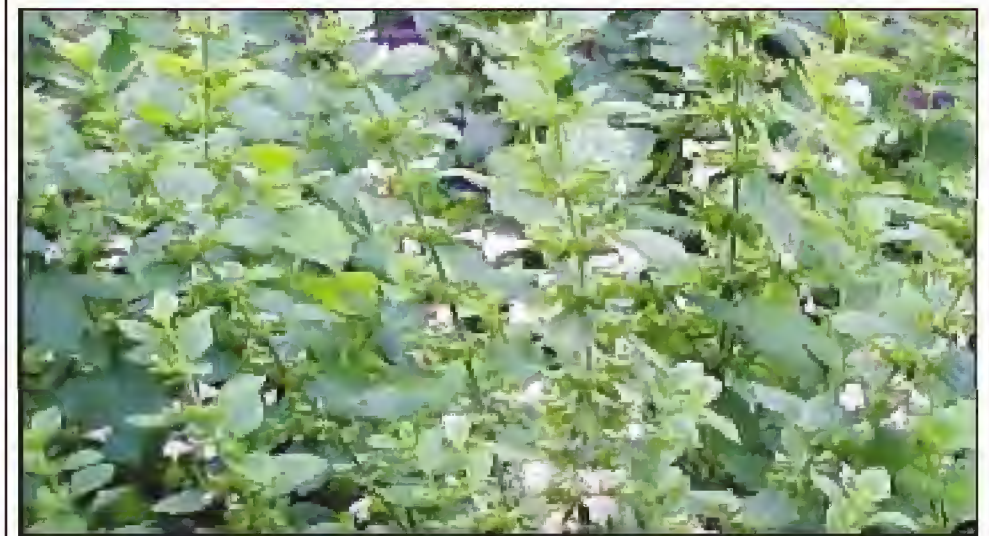
organic arsenic which in a worst case scenario equals half a lethal dose," said Leif Busk, a toxicologist at the National Food Agency.

"Consequently, anyone who eats it can be very seriously affected. It's frightening to think there are companies selling these very hazardous preparations."

The product was discovered and removed from shelves in Stockholm this summer, but could still be on sale in other Swedish cities. It can also be bought on the Internet.

Local authorities in Stockholm have issued a warning to other European countries through an EU alert system, according to the agency.

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US approves first brain wave test for ADHD

WASHINGTON (AFP) - US regulators on Monday approved the first brain wave test for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, saying it may improve the accuracy of diagnoses by medical experts. Cases of ADHD are on the rise in the United States, as are the number of prescriptions for stimulants doled out to young people who appear to have difficulty concentrating or controlling impulses. The new test, known as the Neuropsychiatric EEG-Based Assessment Aid (NEBA) System, measures electrical impulses given off by neurons in the brain. A 15-20 minute test calculates the ratio of certain brain wave frequencies known as theta and beta waves in children age six to 17. The FDA said the test "can help confirm an ADHD diagnosis" or help decide if further treatment should focus on "other medical or behavioral conditions that produce symptoms similar to ADHD." Studies supplied by the manufacturer evaluated 275 patients using both the NEBA system and other standard protocols for diagnosing ADHD which include behavioral questionnaires, behavioral and IQ testing and physical exams. ADHD is believed to occur in five to 10 percent of US children. A recent analysis of US government data by the New York Times found that as many as one in five teenage boys is diagnosed with the disorder. A study in the journal Pediatrics last year found a 46 percent rise in ADHD prescriptions from 2002 to 2010.

India police arrest eight for gang-rape of schoolgirls

PATNA (AFP) - Indian police arrested eight suspects on Tuesday over the gang-rape of four schoolgirls abducted from their convent boarding house in the country's east, officials said.

A group of men armed with knives barged into the hostel Sunday night and kidnapped the girls aged between 12 and 14, before assaulting them in a nearby forest in the tribal state of Jharkhand, a police officer said.

India faces intense scrutiny over its efforts to curb violence against women following the fatal gang-rape of a student on a bus in New Delhi last December which sparked major protests.

The school principal told police that the gang locked him and other teachers inside a room at the school run by a Christian missionary in the

state's Pakur district.

The men then entered the dormitory and took away four girls, all belonging to a local tribal community, police said.

Ramesh said medical tests on the girls had confirmed that they were raped.

Parliament has passed laws aimed at better protecting women, including doubling the minimum prison sentence for gang-rape to 20 years.

Jharkhand is a densely forested state comprising large numbers of indigenous people.




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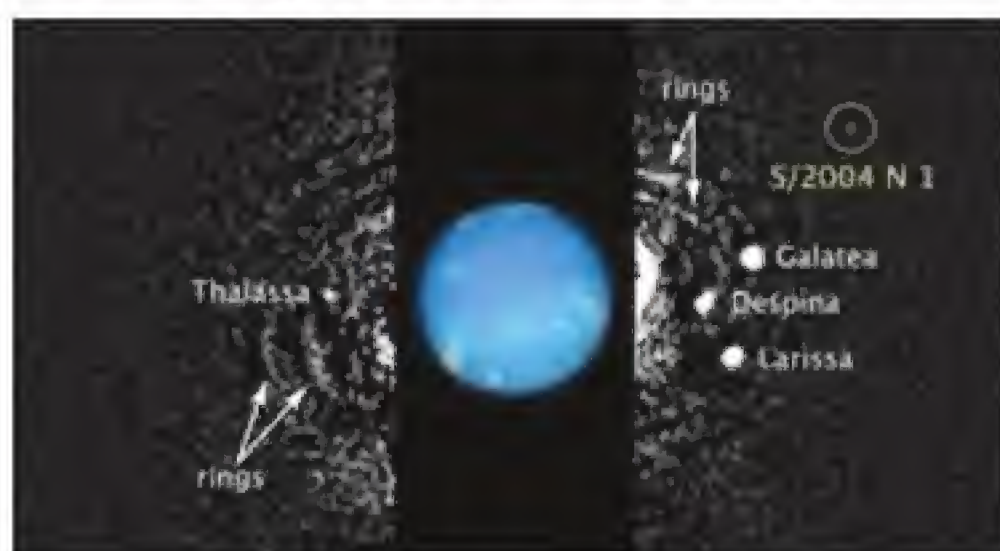
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NASA finds new moon on Neptune



This composite Hubble Space Telescope picture shows the location of Neptune's newly discovered moon

WASHINGTON (AFP) - A tiny new moon has been spotted circling Neptune -- the 14th known to be orbiting the faraway planet, the US space agency said on Monday.

The moon is the smallest ever glimpsed around Neptune and measures just about 12 miles (19 kilometers) across, based on observations from the Hubble Space telescope, NASA said.

Neptune is the farthest planet from the Sun, and NASA said the moon, named S/2004 N1, is about 100 mil-

lion times fainter than the dimmest star that can be seen with the naked eye.

Astronomers found the moon by tracking a white dot that appeared repeatedly in more than 150 photos taken by Hubble from 2004 to 2009.

Mark Showalter of the SETI Institute in Mountain View, California, found the moon July 1 while studying the faint arcs around Neptune, NASA said.

The moon is believed to circle Neptune once every 23 hours.

19 groups sue NSA over data collection

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Nineteen US organizations filed suit Tuesday against the National Security Agency claiming their constitutional rights were violated by the secret spy agency's data collection programs.

The Electronic Freedom Foundation filed the action on behalf of a variety of groups including the First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles, the gun rights group Calguns Foundation, Greenpeace and Human Rights Watch.

The suit filed in California federal court alleges that the mass collection of phone records under the so-called PRISM program violates Americans' constitutional rights.

The case is the latest in a wave of legal action since reve-

lations in the media about the PRISM program, believed to collect vast amounts of phone and Internet data as part of efforts to protect national security.

In a separate case Monday, the secret US court overseeing national security investigations opened the door to declassifying documents related to the government's data collection program in a case involving Internet giant Yahoo!

The Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court said the government should review which documents should be declassified and inform the court of its decision by July 29.

The case dates back at least to 2008, when the court issued an order reportedly requiring Yahoo! to allow the government to obtain access to customer data.

Yahoo! asked the court on June 14 to release documents about the program, shortly after revelations of the vast data collection program.

Other Internet companies including Google and Microsoft have also sought declassification of documents.

The companies have stated they release information only in response to specific court orders, and claim that reports about providing easy access to US authorities are exaggerated.

Apple, Facebook, Microsoft and other top Internet and technology companies have come under heightened scrutiny since word leaked of the vast, covert Internet surveillance program US authorities insist targets only foreign terror suspects and has helped thwart attacks.

Microsoft slashes price on Surface tablet



SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) - Microsoft has quietly cut the price of its entry-level Surface tablet computer by some 30 percent, after surveys indicating sluggish sales.

The Surface RT tablet was being sold for as low as \$349 for US customers on the Microsoft website on Monday, down from the introductory price last year of \$499.

The move comes amid a price war for tablets and a

flood of new devices on the market.

Amazon has slashed prices of its Kindle HD tablets to as low as \$169 in the US and 139 pounds in Britain, while Barnes & Noble has cut the price of its Nook to as low as \$129, and has announced plans to out-source production of its tablets.

Microsoft introduced its Surface last year at a premium price, promoting the device as a substitute for a personal computer with an attachable keyboard.

But a survey by the research firm IDC estimated the company sold just 900,000 units in the first quarter, in a global market of some 49 million.

Microsoft previously cut the price of the Surface as low as \$199 for education buyers.



-- In December 2011, the talent behind location-check-in app Gowalla was acquired by Facebook. Gowalla was one of the top players in the mobile location check-in app category in which it reigned between 2009 and 2012. Now, a year and a half after joining Facebook, Gowalla's co-founder and former CEO Josh Williams is leaving. Williams, who moved from Austin, Texas to join Facebook in Palo Alto, says he'll remain in San Francisco to pursue a new project.



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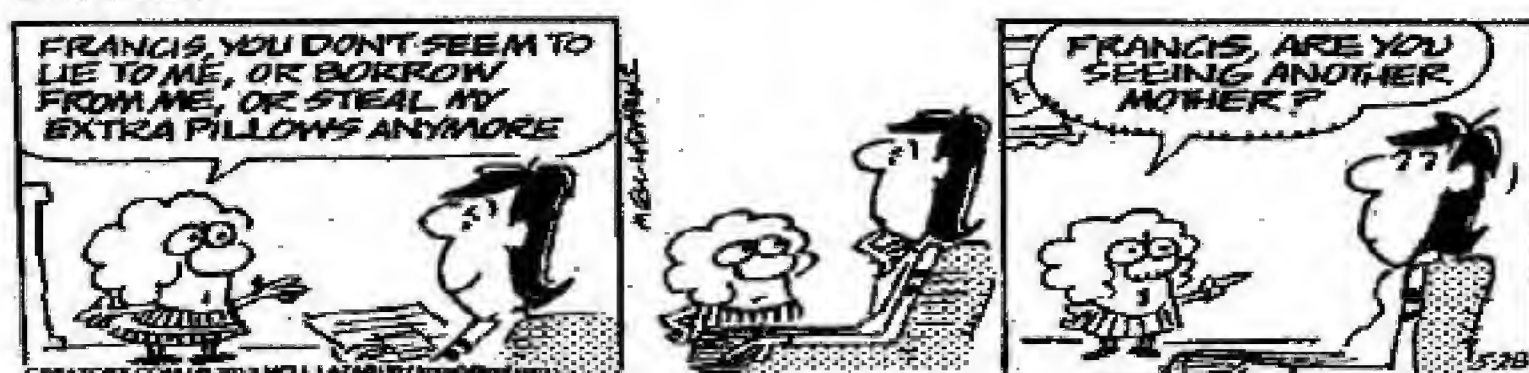
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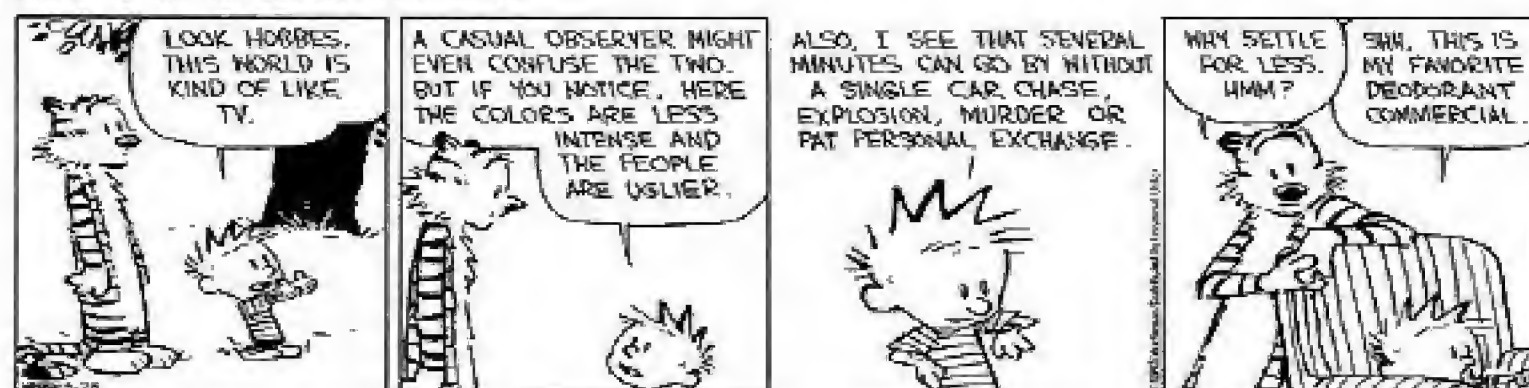
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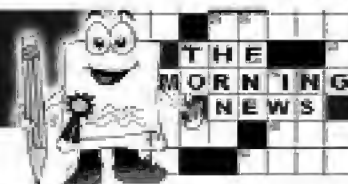
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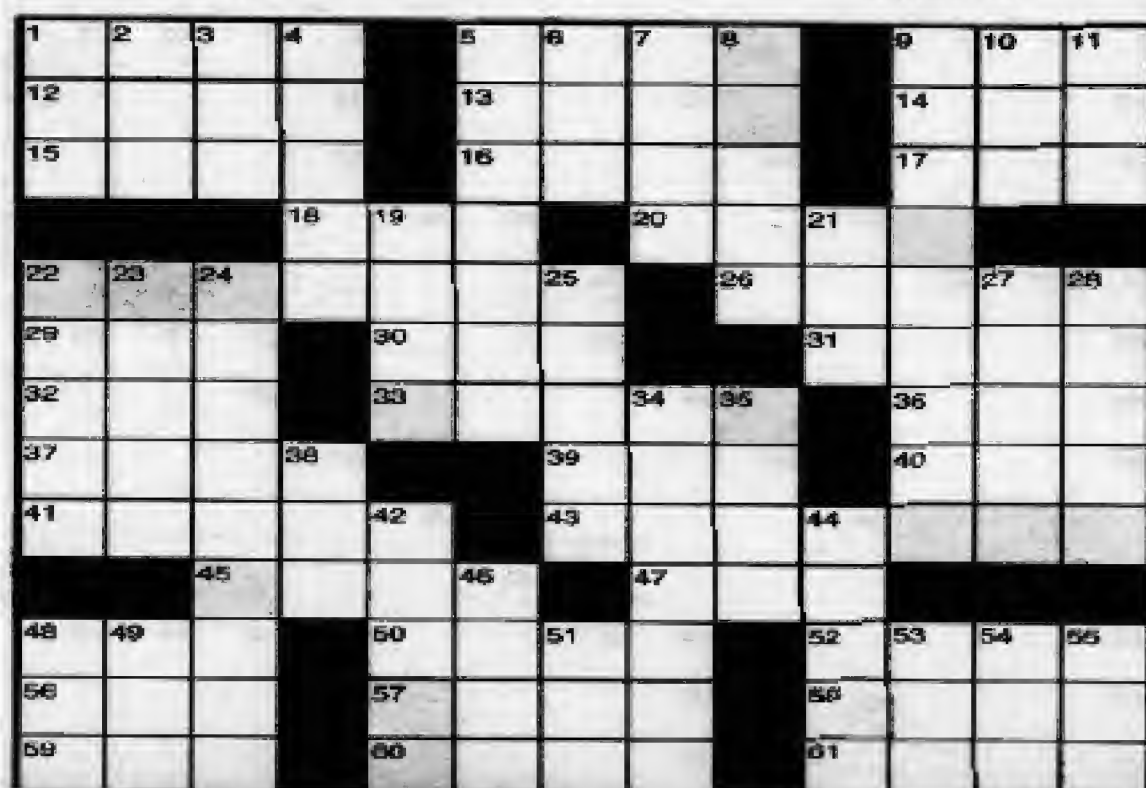
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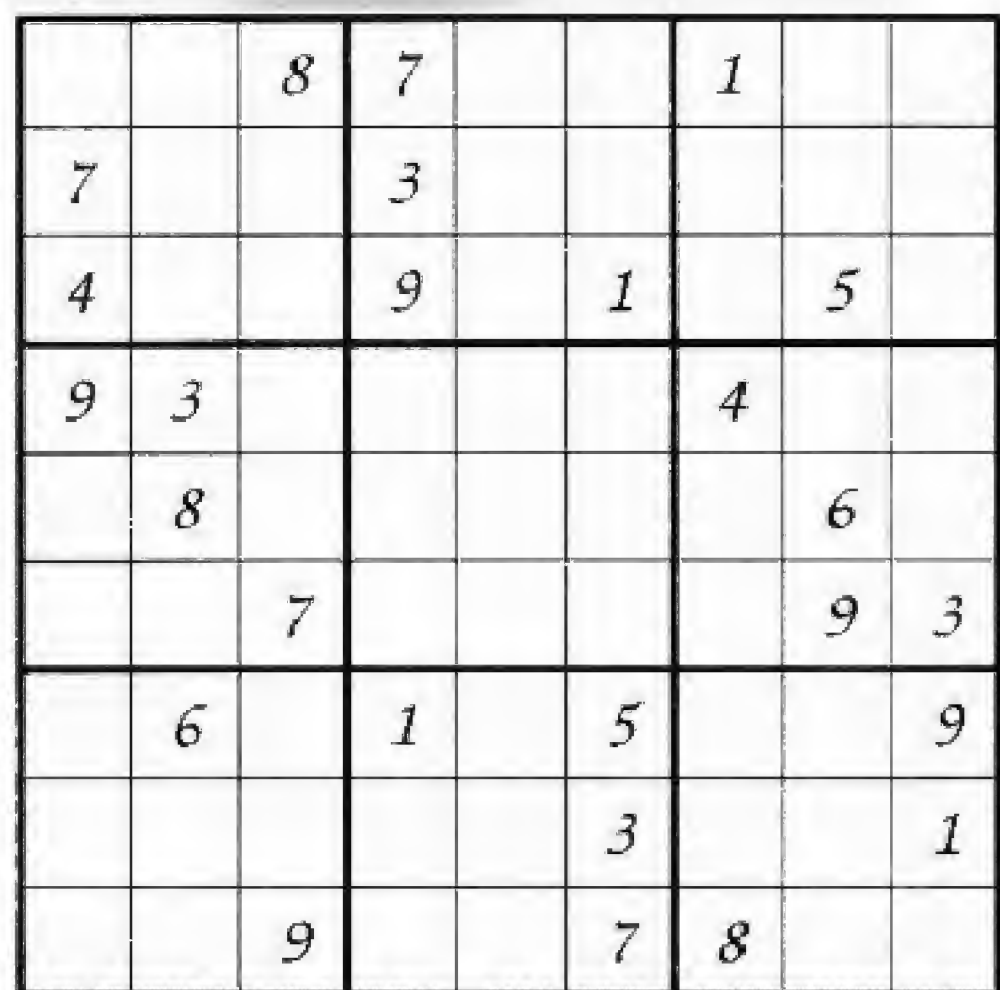
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WTO: Crisis-hit EU has avoided protectionism

GENEVA (AFP) - The European Union has avoided protectionism in the face of its debt crisis, the World Trade Organization said yesterday, saluting the 28-nation bloc for its stance.

"The focus of EU policy over the past two years has been on the financial crises and there have been relatively few changes to trade policies, laws, or institutions in other areas," the WTO said. "However, the fact that there has been no retreat into protectionism is, in itself, a positive sign."

The comments came in a review of EU trade policy by the WTO, which carries out regular assessments of its 159 member economies. EU officials have been meeting with a review panel this week at the WTO's Geneva headquarters.

The WTO spotlighted a raft of causes of the EU's crisis, including a failure to carry out reforms while credit was easy, resulting in unsustainable debt and over-exposure for banks. It also pointed to falling competitiveness in some EU member states. It pointed to varying rates of value-added tax (VAT) and excise duties, plus corpo-

rate and personal taxation in the EU, saying the mesh of different rules posed problems for trade.

"The complexity of the taxation system, including collection and payment, for example for VAT, can result in additional compliance costs for economic operators," it said, also flagging up the broad range of reduced VAT rates applied for some products. "If all reduced rates were removed, the standard rate of VAT could in certain member states theoretically be dropped by up to 7.5 percent without any impact on overall revenue," it added.

YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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Central Bank of Aruba: Money supply went up

ORANJESTAD -- During the month of April 2013, money supply rose by Afl. 51.5 million to Afl. 3,496.0 million, resulting from increases in net domestic assets and net foreign assets (excluding revaluation differences of gold and foreign exchange holdings) of, respectively, Afl. 29.7 million and Afl. 21.8 million. Net foreign assets of the monetary sector expanded because foreign exchange receipts, largely from tourism and transfers from foreign accounts, surpassed foreign exchange payments for the import of goods and services.

The growth in net domestic assets was caused by an increase in domestic credit of Afl. 31.0 million, resulting from an increase of Afl. 27.7 million in claims on the private sector and a rise of Afl. 3.3 million in the net claims of the banking sector on the public sector. Non-credit related balance sheet items, on the other hand, decreased slightly by Afl. 1.3 million.

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3.3 million rise in the net claims of the banking sector on the public sector. Non-credit related balance sheet items, on the other hand, fell slightly by Afl. 1.3 million. The higher claims on the private sector were attributed to gains in the commercial loans, housing mortgages and consumer credit of, respectively, Afl. 20.8 million (+1.7 percent), Afl. 4.7 million (+0.5 percent), and Afl. 2.1 million (+0.4 percent). The increase in the net claims of the banking sector on the public sector was associated with an Afl. 6.9 million decrease in development funds and an increase in the gross claims on the public sector of Afl. 1.1 million, partly offset by an increase in governments deposits of Afl. 4.7 million.

In April 2013, the consumer price index (CPI) continued its downward trend. The CPI in April shrank by 3.5 percent when compared to the same month of 2012. Main contributory factors to this drop were housing, clothing & footwear, transport and household operation. Excluding the effect of food and energy (which partly affects the housing and transport components), the core CPI edged up by 0.3 percent, in comparison to April 2012.

In April 2013, the number of stay-over visitors reached 76,021, which is 2.5 percent (-1,963 visitors) lower than in April 2012. This decline was

caused mainly by a 14.0 percent (-2,455 visitors) sharp reduction in the number of visitors from the Latin American market, mostly the result of a decline in visitors from Venezuela (-2,772 visitors or -21.7 percent). A marginal decrease of 0.8 percent was also noted in the U.S. market, while more Canadians (+524 visitors or 14.5 percent) were welcomed. The number of cruise visitors grew by 956 or 1.4 percent to 70,808 in the month of April 2013, compared to the same month of the previous year. The number of ship calls increased marginally to 34 in April 2013, up from 33 in April 2012.

In April 2013, tax revenue totaled Afl. 76.8 million, an increase of Afl. 2.3 million or 3.1 percent, compared to the same month of the previous year. This growth was associated mostly with gains in profit tax (+Afl. 4.3 million), import duties (+Afl. 2.0 million), land tax (+Afl. 2.0 million) and transfer tax (+Afl. 1.4 million). On the other hand, decreases were registered in wage tax (-Afl. 4.0 million), excises on beer (-Afl. 1.7 million), excises on tobacco (-Afl. 1.2 million) and income tax (-Afl. 0.9 million). In addition, foreign exchange tax declined by Afl. 0.7 million, while turnover tax increased slightly by Afl. 0.5 million. Non-tax revenue recorded a fall of Afl. 1.2 million compared to the same month of last year.



AFP photo, taken on July 16, 2013 in Flamanville, northwestern France, shows a 154 meter high hoist owned by the Sarens company, used on the construction site of the third European generation Pressurised Reactor (EPR), to install a dome on the reactor's building. The nuclear reactor will be put into service at the end of the year 2016, said EDF director of the future nuclear station Didier Ohayon on June 20, 2013.

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Simply the best: Tina Turner ties knot in Switzerland



GENEVA (AFP) - Tina Turner, the US-born superstar famed for hits such as "Private Dancer", has married her long-time German partner and will reportedly celebrate the union in a Buddhist ceremony in Switzerland Sunday.

The 73-year-old retired singer wed 57-year-old record executive Erwin Bach in a discreet civil ceremony on the banks of Lake Zurich in Kusunacht, northern Switzerland "a few days ago," municipal official Hannes Friess told AFP.

According to Swiss media reports, the pair will celebrate the union at their Kusunacht manor on Sunday with an intimate Buddhist ceremony attended by 120 guests.

Music industry A-listers including David Bowie, Eros Ramazzotti and Sade are due to attend along with television talk show queen Oprah Winfrey, according to Swiss weekly Schweiz am Sonntag, which also reported guests were requested to wear white.

The bride herself, who traded in her US passport for a Swiss one earlier this year, will be wearing a gown de-

signed by Italian fashion giant Giorgio Armani, according to the newspaper, which did not reveal its sources.

Swiss media reported that a small stage would be set up for Sunday's party, and that Turner and Bach had sent out letters to their neighbours apologising in advance for the noise they might cause.

Turner, born Anna Mae Bullock in Tennessee, was the voice of such hits as "Simply the Best" and "We Don't Need Another Hero", over a five-decades long career, and moved to Switzerland in 1995 when Bach was transferred to the country.

Before her relationship with Bach began in the mid-1980s, Turner was famously married to her musical partner Ike Turner for 14 years.

She left him in 1976 after suffering serious domestic abuse, as detailed in her autobiography "I, Tina," and alluded to in her 1984 hit "What's Love Got To Do With It."

Tina Turner retired from the public eye after a final tour in 2008/2009.

Romanian mum 'destroyed' stolen Picasso, Monet masterpieces



Monet's "Waterloo Bridge"

BUCHAREST (AFP) - The mother of a Romanian art heist suspect has admitted to torching seven stolen masterpieces, including works by Picasso and Monet, the Mediafax news agency reported Tuesday.

The mother of suspect Radu Doragu said she incinerated the artworks, valued at over 100 million euros (\$130 million), in her stove in a bid to "destroy any evidence".

"After the arrest of my son in January 2013, I was very scared because I knew that what had happened was very serious," Mediafax reported Doragu's mother as saying, citing court documents.

"I placed the suitcase containing the paintings in the stove. I put in some logs, slippers and rubber shoes and waited until they had com-

pletely burned."

The court documents appear to confirm earlier fears, after it was reported in May that investigators were combing through ashes found in her home.

Six Romanians will stand trial in August for what has been called the "theft of the century". The seven masterpieces were swiped from Rotterdam's Kunsthil museum on October 16 in less than 90 seconds.

The heist gripped The Netherlands and the art world as police struggled to solve the crime, putting 25 officers on the case.

The works stolen include Picasso's "Tete d'Arlequin", Monet's "Waterloo Bridge" and Lucian Freud's "Woman with Eyes Closed".

Japan police bust overweight sex firm

TOKYO (AFP) - Japanese police have arrested the alleged ringleader of a sex home delivery service specialising in women weighing up to 150 kilograms (330 lbs), a force spokesman said on Tuesday.

Keiko Saito, 41, and one of her employees are suspected of conspiring to run a prostitution business under the name "Makkusu Bodi" (Max Body), which boasted that it catered for men who like "explosive boobs and bums", police said.

Saito is alleged to have had about 30 overweight women in her employ, including one who tipped the scales at more than 150 kilograms, Jiji Press reported.

Police say punters in Tokyo could telephone to request a visit in their home or hotel room, a service called "deriheru" (delivery health) that is widespread in Japan, where it is illegal to sell penetrative sex.

Saito, who is believed to have earned about 400 million yen (\$4 million) over three years, had previously worked as a prostitute, Jiji said. She began her business because she believed larger women were popular with customers, the agency added.

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Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

-- Management of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, reports that sales have been very good and encouraging as the global economy recovers and people looking to purchase vacation homes have found that Gold Coast is an outstanding investment value. Director of Sales, Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners in reality do not spend a great amount of time personally to use the villas or town homes they purchase, but are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their 'home away from home' in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community where the value of properties has only increased over time. It is only minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded get-



away, we are very pleased by the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy operate Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project and the scope of actual and planned facilities and amenities. We have spoken to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who have dreamed of their own home in Aruba contributed to the realization of Gold Coast Aruba which when complete will be a community

of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional community pool areas. The Clubhouse is about to start construction and will offer to the community homeowners and visitors 2 tennis courts, full service spa and fitness center as well as a stunning pool area and is expected to be complete by early 2013. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the on site management's rental services program. There is always a great demand for Aruba and facilities such as those at Gold

Coast, make it easy for some owners to see a valuable return on their investment.

The design of the residences and public areas is open, airy and spacious, taking full advantage of the island environment, with quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options allowing buyers to individualize their homes. An elegant and chic furniture package is available or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property, not the least is the future value of the investment. To further en-

hance this, Gold Coast management have inaugurated a number of in-house services and have recently become affiliated Interval International, the world's largest network of vacation ownership properties which provides an unlimited international pool of investors to tap for ownership and rental prospects. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination is also available through the Interval International affiliation. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, child care, catering services, car rental through its partnership with AVIS car rental are also available as well as pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can also be arranged through their property management department. Personnel are also available to assist in arranging restaurant reservations and island activities.

Visit their website: www.goldcoastaruba.com for more details and availability or call 586-2200 to arrange a personal tour.

Eat like a local at The Queen's restaurant at Palm Beach Plaza



Grandma's classic Stew beef with Rice and Potato salad

An elegant décor with a breezy terrace overlooking Palm Beach welcomes guests to Varela Innocencia's very popular restaurant showcasing authentic local cuisine:

The Queen's.

They may have moved from Oranjestad to hipper new digs in Palm Beach Plaza, but the food and prices are strictly native, which is what first won this charming eatery their loyal clientele. Varela's mom,

Luisa, is still in the kitchen, conjuring up the delicious dishes that have been in her family for generations, acknowledged on the menu with items such as "Carni Stoba di Mamachi" - "Grandma's Beef Stew," and their Arawak Steak, along with local delicacies like Keshi Yena - "Full Cheese." This is a tasty, filling stew of chicken, with other ingredients that are handy that day, all incased in a thick skin of melted

Gouda. It was very satisfying and particularly memorable paired with The Queen's garlic bread and very special Pica, a mix of chopped onions and the famous local hot pepper, Madame Janette. Not overly spicy, it lends that perfect bit of tang to this deliciously picturesque meal.

One of the distinctions of Aruban cuisine is incorporating unique indigenous ingredients such as in Wild Cucumber Stew and a particular light fish chowder accompanied by the local specialties pan bati (corn meal pancake) and funchi (the local version of polenta.)

Seafood main courses for Catch of the Day Aruban Style to shrimp and a mixed seafood platter with shrimp, fish, squid, scallops and mussels. Meat dishes such as BBQ Chicken and Ribs or Grilled Tenderloin, each including a choice of 2 side dishes, all quite yummy



Varela, Luisa and the next generation of chef

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The Queen's is located on the second level of Palm Beach Plaza, tucked into a cozy corner at the front of the mall. If you have a mind to try the real deal in Aruban food, without a doubt, this is the way to truly eat like a local.

They are open daily, from 11:00 am to 11:00pm,

Telf: 5860606 and email: saus.arubancuisine@live.com, offering indoor and outdoor dining. Aside from an extensive menu they also have daily specials made from whatever is in season and Mama Luisa is in the mood to prepare, so don't forget to ask about what isn't on the menu!

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Tennis: Hingis to make doubles comeback

-PARIS (AFP) - Former world number one Martina Hingis is to make a competitive comeback playing doubles, six years after her second retirement.

The Swiss star, who won five Grand Slam singles titles and nine in doubles, will play at the Southern California Open in Carlsbad from July 27 to August 4.

She will partner Slovak Daniela Hantuchova, with whom she also played doubles in 2007 before her retirement.

Hingis retired for the second time in 2007 at the age of 27 having just discovered she had tested positive for a banned substance during her third round loss at Wimbledon that year.

She tested for benzoylecgonine, a metabolite of cocaine, and opted to retire rather than contest the results.

Although she maintained her innocence, she was banned for two years by the International Tennis Federation.

She had first retired from

tennis for two years at the tender age of just 23 in 2003, citing injuries as the reason.

By this time she had already won all her Grand Slam singles and doubles titles and spent a total of 209 weeks as world number one.

In 1996 she had become the youngest ever Grand Slam winner when teaming up with Helena Sukova to win the Wimbledon doubles title at just 15 years and nine months.

She followed that up in 1997 by becoming the youngest ever Grand Slam singles winner at 16 years three months in the Australian Open before becoming the youngest world number one in history a couple of months later.

Her second career, from 2005 to 2007, was nowhere near as successful as the first part as she never went beyond a Grand Slam quarter-final.

Her second comeback comes hot on the heels of being inducted into the Tennis Hall of Fame

NBA: Nets coach Kidd gets probation, report



NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Brooklyn Nets head coach Jason Kidd pleaded guilty on Tuesday to a charge of drunk driving following his arrest in Long Island last July.

The recently retired National Basketball Association star Kidd received probation from New York judge Andrea Schiavoni, Newsday reported on Tuesday.

As part of his agreement with the court, the 40-year-old Kidd will also have to perform a pair of speaking engagements to American high school students on the dangers of drunk driving.

The district attorney's office said that Kidd must complete his sentence prior to his next court date which is scheduled for September 30.

As long as his requirements are satisfied, Kidd's driving while intoxicated conviction will be reduced to a lesser charge of driving while impaired.

Kidd announced his retirement after a 19-year NBA playing career in June. He was hired as Brooklyn's head coach later that month.

SPORTS

Cricket: Bravo brothers help Windies beat Pakistan



West Indies batsman Johnson Charles (R) is stumped by Pakistan wicket-keeper Umar Akmal (L) off bowler Shahid Afridi for 31 runs

PROVIDENCE (AFP) - Pakistan returned to their self-destructive ways as West Indies completed a 37-run victory in the second One-Day International at the Guyana National Stadium on Tuesday.

Solid contributions by the Bravo brothers, Darren and Dwayne, boosted the West Indies batting effort after they had gotten off to the worst possible start when giant left-arm fast bowler Mohammed Irfan had Chris Gayle caught at the wicket in the first over of the day.

Two days after demolishing the hosts by 126 runs, the visitors folded for 195 off 47.5 overs in reply to the Caribbean side's total of 232 for eight after they were put in on a pitch expected to offer considerable assistance to the bowlers following the previous day's torrential rain.

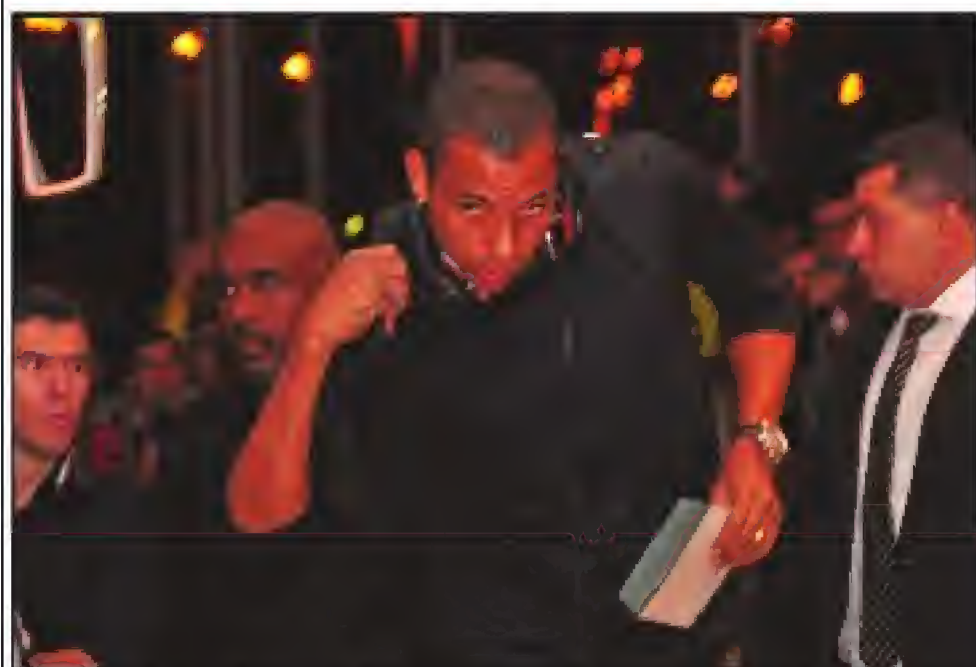
Pakistan appeared to be

cruising along at 103 for two with skipper Misbah-ul-Haq well entrenched and opener Nasir Jamshed (54) riding his considerable luck towards a half-century. But Misbah played a shot totally out of character to be bowled by Darren Sammy, a fitting reward for the all-rounder playing his 100th ODI.

That dismissal was followed by a succession of poor shots and with spinner Sunil Narine returning to wicket-taking form in snaring four for 26 to claim the "Man of the Match" award, a rearguard 50 by wicketkeeper-batsman Umar Akmal proved to be too little, too late for Pakistan.

With the series now level, the teams travel on to St Lucia for the remaining three matches, beginning on Friday, before the short tour concludes with two T20 matches in St Vincent on July 27 and 28.

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LUQUE (AFP) - Roberto Silva of Brazil soccer team Atletico Mineiro arrives at the hotel in Luque, Paraguay Tuesday. Mineiro will play against Paraguay's Olimpia today Copa Libertadores final at the stadion Defensores del Chaco in Asuncion, Paraguay. Olimpia, who won the Libertadores title in 1979, 1990 and 2002, now hopes to take the title once more.

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Football: Women's European Championship

GOTHENBURG - Sweden beat Italy to top group, with a goal and an assist from Lotta Schelin helped hosts Sweden beat Italy 3-1 to win their qualifying group and cruise into the quarter-finals of the European women's soccer championship.

While Finland is the first team to exit the tournament after a 1-1 draw with Denmark.

After loosing from England, Russia also exit the tournament.

England will now have to beat France on Thursday for the first time since 1974 in the Group C finale to have a chance of reaching the knock-outs.



Finland's Annica Sjölund, (R) scores the 1-1 goal during the UEFA Women's EURO 2013 group A soccer match between Denmark and Finland, at Gamla Ullevi stadium in Gothenburg on Tuesday.

Today's Matches:

B Germany @ 18:00 Norway
B Netherlands @ 18:00 Iceland

Cavani Joins PSG In record French transfer



PARIS (AFP) - Paris Saint-Germain's (PSG) new forward, Edinson Cavani of Uruguay, and Paris Saint-Germain's (PSG)'s chairman Nasser Al-Khelaifi of Qatar (R) pose with Cavani's jersey during a press conference in Paris yesterday after finalising Cavani's transfer to Paris Saint-Germain football club with sources close to the deal saying his 64-million-euro (\$84 million) price tag would break the French record.

Tour de France

GAP (AFP) - Yellow jersey holder Chris Froome hit out at rival Alberto Contador after both narrowly avoided crashing during a dramatic finale to the 16th stage of the Tour de France won by Portuguese Rui Costa on Tuesday.

Movistar rider Costa soloed to victory at the end of the undulating 168 km ride from Vaison-La-Romaine to Gap after a late but timely attack on the final climb of the day, the 9.5 km-long Col de Manse.

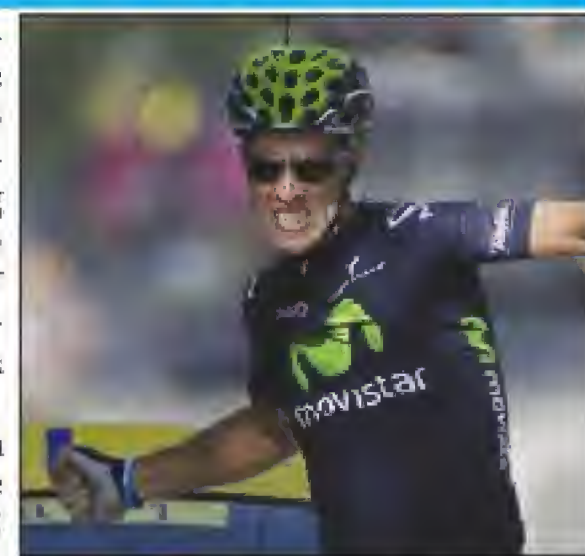
But as he came over the finish with a comfortable lead on four chasers and a fractured peloton, a small skirmish in the yellow jersey battle was going on in his wake.

Contador had tested the Briton with several brief accelerations in the final kilometres of the Manse climb but was brought to heel by Froome's Australian teammate Richie Porte.

The road to Gap is famous for playing host to one of the most spectacular crash incidents of the Lance Armstrong era -- Joseba Beloki hitting the tarmac at speed and Armstrong, who was in pursuit, being forced through a field to avoid hitting the Spaniard.

Since Contador's efforts to leave Froome behind on the climb proved futile, the Spaniard took to upping the pace on the descent.

However that approach almost led to disaster.



the Portuguese Rui Costa

Contador misjudged a tight right-hand bend and came off his bike, with Froome, who was in hot pursuit, just missing the Spaniard but being forced on to the side of the road.

Froome said afterwards: "Saxo Bank, Alberto and (Roman) Kreuziger were taking too many risks on the descent."

Bauke Mollema, sitting second overall overnight, showed his class by slowing to allow Froome and Contador to catch up before the group resumed racing to finish the stage at just over 10 minutes behind Costa.

Team Sky leader Froome retained his 4min 14sec lead on Dutchman Mollema (Belkin) with Saxo team leader Contador still in third place at 4:25.

Costa, taking his second career stage win on the race following his 2011 win at Super-Besse, had been part of an earlier 26-man breakaway that went on to build a significant lead on the main peloton.

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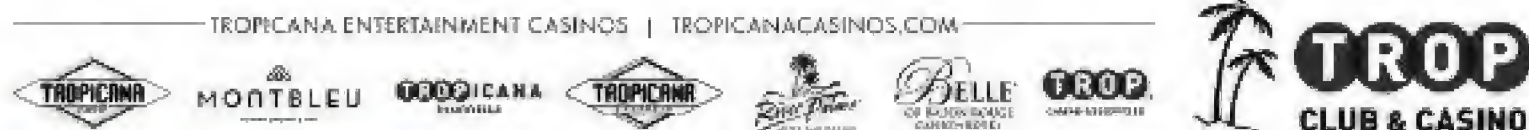
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Trinidad beat Honduras to advance



Players from Honduras and Trinidad & Tobago battle for the ball.



Rodolfo Zelaya Garcia #11 of El Salvador (C) battles for the ball with Yves Hadley Desmaret #15 and Kim Jaggy #19 of Haiti

-- Trinidad and Tobago is headed to the Gold Cup quarterfinals for only the second time in their history thanks to a 2-0 win over Honduras on Tuesday night. Goals by Kenwynne Jones and Kevin Molino fired the Soca Warriors to victory, which propelled them to second place in Group B and a spot in the knockout stages.

Trinidad and Tobago reaches the knockout stages for the first time since losing 1-0 to Canada

in the semifinals of the 2000 Gold Cup.

Honduras had already clinched first place in the group thanks to earlier wins against Haiti and El Salvador.

Haiti had a chance to advance earlier in the evening when El Salvador edged Haiti 1-0 to advance.

The victory earned El Salvador (1-1-1, 4 points) a berth in the quarterfinals of the biennial tournament.

Yoenis Cespedes wins Home Run Derby at Citi Field

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Cuban star Yoenis Cespedes captured the 2013 All-Star Game home run derby, out-slugging Washington's Bryce Harper 9-8 in the final round of the batting competition on Monday. The 27-year-old Cespedes, who plays outfield for the Oakland Athletics, won the crown with a towering 455-foot shot beyond the wall in center field at Citi Field park. Cespedes is the second A's player to win the competition -- the other being disgraced former major leaguer Mark McGwire in 1992. Three years ago, McGwire admitted to using performance-enhancing drugs throughout a Major League Baseball career in which he hit a total of 583 homers. McGwire is now a hitting coach with the Los Angeles Dodgers. Cespedes' win also extended the American League's run of winners to seven consecutive years. In the final round, Cespedes tied Harper's total with a shot off the window of the stadium restaurant in left field. That set the stage for his winning hit. Cespedes hit 32 home runs overall Monday, compared to 24 by Harper. Cespedes defected from Cuba in the summer of 2011 to the Dominican Republic and then became a free agent before signing with Oakland before the 2012 season.



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